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This is UNEVALUATED Information			

1. In mid-January 1955, it was learned that a Unit "Bertram" was to be quartered at the kaserne Eggersdorf. The unit allegedly was a special unit of company strength. Following a planned enlargement of the kaserne, an engineer battalion was also to be stationed at the installation. The Stienitz Lake near the planned buildings was to be used as an engineer training site. 1
2. On 10, 12 and 14 January, 200 recruits wearing civilian clothes arrived at the kaserne Eggersdorf. Most of the men came from Saxony and Thuringia. The installation was probably occupied by about 3,000 KVP. 1
3. Weapons which were transported to the kaserne Eggersdorf during the night included 6 AA guns of about 80 mm on 10 January; and 20 AT guns of 30 to 40 mm and 30 AT guns with muzzle brakes of about 70 mm on 13 January. Other equipment which arrived during the same period included 30 motorcycles, 10 personnel carriers and 15 tank trucks. 1
4. Prior to 20 January, a total of about 30 AT guns of 30 to 40 mm, about 30 AT guns of about 70 mm, and 12 AA guns of about 80 mm were observed at the kaserne Eggersdorf. Soldiers practicing with the above weapons were observed daily. Each AA gun had a crew of five KVP. 1
5. Prior to 19 January, the kaserne Eggersdorf was occupied by about 1,300 KVPs. On and after 6 January, about 100 recruits arrived. Most of the recruits were assigned to the truck regiment. The quarters were apparently not occupied to capacity. Troops were engaged in regular guard duty and field training at platoon level. The recruits in the kaserne underwent strenuous drill. 1
6. In mid-January, a slightly drunken KVP stated that 65-mm AA guns and 37-mm AA guns were parked in the garages of the kaserne Eggersdorf. 1

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7. Between 1 and 10 January 1955, the district registration office Chemnitz-Land recruited volunteers mainly for the special project Strausberg II (guard regiment),¹ Kuechensee (engineers),² and Dessau V (signal unit)².

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1. Comment. Except for the AAA unit which was previously reported no conclusions can be drawn on the activation of other units at the kaserne Eggersdorf.

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. Since AT guns have been repeatedly observed at the installation, an AT unit probably will also be activated. It cannot be determined if independent units of a new Korps Mitte or KVP units of the KVP Department of the Ministry of Interior are being activated at Eggersdorf. the truck regiment included 750 to 800 KVPs. The elements of the guard regiment have probably a strength of about 800 KVPs. Since the reports are contradictory, the strength of the new units cannot be determined.

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2. Comment. An engineer regiment of the KVP Department of the Ministry of Interior is stationed at Kuechensee. A KVP office Dessau V and a signal unit are unknown.

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